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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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JP 8-327590 and JP 8-327592 were cited in a Japanese Office Action for counterpart

Japanese Application No. 2003-403338 dated June 20, 2006, copy attached.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

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The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of said Information Disclosure Statement

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